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RESPONSE TO EX-PARTE QUAYLE ACTION

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This paper is responsive to the Ex-Parte Quayle Office Action dated Dec 14, 2006. Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time in order to timely respond by May 14, 2007. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.